

**Remarks:**

Claim Rejections – 35 USC 112

Claims 2 , 3 , 6 have been amended to address the section 112 issues.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC 102

Claims 2-6 were rejected over Ker.

Claim 2 has been amended to specify that the LVTSCR has an n+ region in the p-well and that the method adds at least another n+ and a p+ region. Therefore there are at least two n+ regions required in the n-well. This is not shown in Ker since Ker has no n-well nor at least two n+ regions in an n-well.

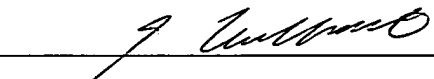
Regarding claims 3-6, independent claim 3 has been amended to specify an anode in a n-well and a cathode in an p-well. As discussed above, Ker does not have an n-well.

Thus Ker fails to anticipate any of the claims in the present application as amended.

In view of these facts, it is respectfully requested that the amended claims be permitted to proceed to allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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